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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN POSITION ON LAW OF SEA MATTER

REF: A) STATE 58869 (NOTAL); B) ISLAMABAD 2030

1. EMBOFF MARCH 19 MET WITH MFA LEGAL ADVISOR A.G. CHAUDHARY (MFA OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR LOS MATTERS) TO CLARIFY US POSITION ON QUESTION OF AIRCRAFT OVERFLIGHTS OVER STRAITS. FOR GENEVA: CHAUDHARY HAD EARLIER TOLD US (REF B) THAT PAK POSITION ON THIS SAME AS US IN THAT BOTH WANTED TO DISCUSS ISSUE IN FORUM OUTSIDE LOS CONFERENCE.

2. AS PER INSTRUCTION (REF A), EMBOFF TOLD CHAUDHARY THAT OUR POSITION IS THAT OVERFLIGHT OF STRAITS AND HIGH SEAS IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF LOS NEGOTIATIONS WHICH CANNOT BE SEPARATED FROM QUESTION OF FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION. FURTHER, HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE WHICH
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THE USG PLACES ON THE ISSUE AND EMPHASIZED THAT WE

MUST ENSURE THAT THE RIGHT OF OVERFLIGHT OF STRAITS
IS INCLUDED IN A LOS TREATY IF WE ARE TO SIGN.

3. CHAUDHARY REPLIED THAT HE APPRECIATED OUR CLARIFI-
CATION, WHICH HE PROMISED TO COMMUNICATE TO THE PAK
LOS DEL IN GENEVA.
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